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On 20 June 1955 at 0500 hrs, there were five Soviet T301-Class mine-sweepers dead in the water just outside of Warnemuende harbor. There were 20 little red buoys among the vessels. They were connected by a cable with about five meters between the buoys. There were also 20 or 25 bigger black buoys, some of which had pole markers, scattered all about the area (see sketch). such buoys lying on the quays in Warnemuende. At 0630 hrs, three of the vessels departed for Warnemuende; the other two remained.

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Comment: Since April, Soviet minesweepers of the T301 Class have been based on Warnemuende. The purpose of setting out the buoys is unknown. Activity has been lively in the area. Tugs and diver tenders have been operating here. It has been reported that submarine listening apparatus has been put in the water or is to be put in around Gedser Reef, Warnemuende, and Darsser Ort.

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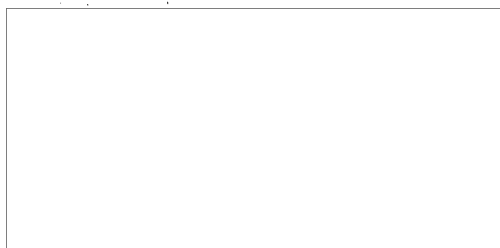
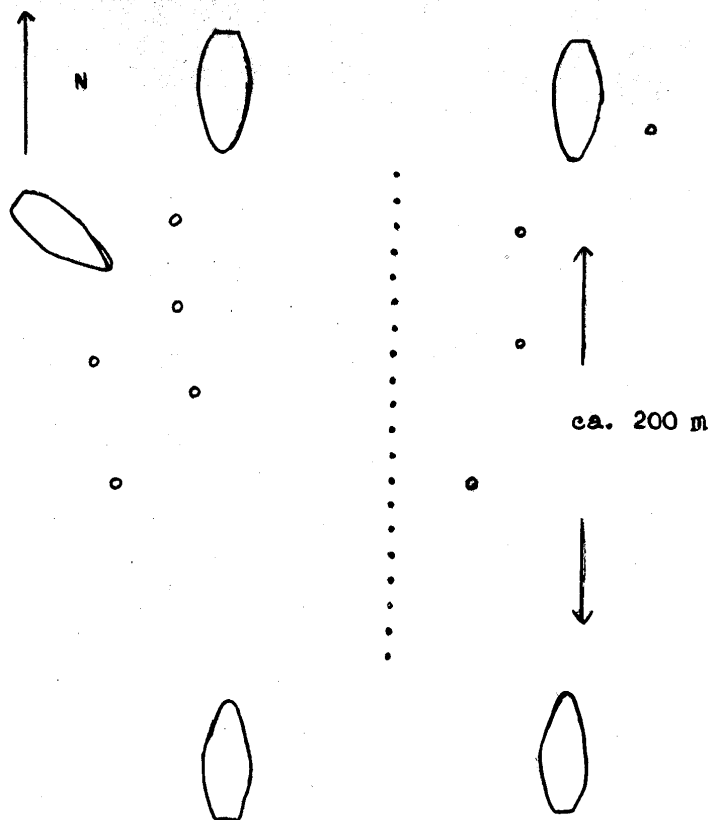
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Sketch of Minesweepers and Buoys outside Warnemuende



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